

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the above amendment and the following remarks.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the examiner's statement that claims 2-9 and 11-13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. In response, claims 2 and 11 have been rewritten in independent form so that claims 2-9 and 11-13 are all in allowable form.

In response to the objection to the claims, the claims have been amended above.

In response to the rejection of claim 14 under 35 USC 112 2nd para., claim 14 has been amended above.

In response to the rejection of claims 1, 10, 14 and 16 under 35 USC 102(b) as allegedly anticipated by "Jane's ATF ADVANCED TACTICAL FIGHTERS [Janes]", applicant traverses the rejection.

In Janes, the ATF program can be loaded to run under DOS or Windows 95, but DOS is part of Windows 95. DOS and Windows 95 coexist in the same boot area. There is no "first boot area" and "second boot area" disclosed in Janes.

Janes does not disclose "a first boot area" and "a second boot area" as recited in claim 1.

Also, Janes does not disclose "a standard boot area" and "an application specific boot area" as recited in claim 10.

Thus, claims 1 and 10 are allowable. Also, claims 14 and 16 are dependent on claim 10 and are allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 10.

In response to the rejection of claims 1, 10, 15-16 under

35 USC 102(b) as allegedly anticipated by "Create Multi-Bootable CD/DVD image file" [MagicISO].

According to the citation "MagicISO has the ability to create Multi-Bootable CD/DVD image file so that the user can incorporate multiple installation CD into one CD/DVD, and install Multiple Operation System from one CD/DVD". Operating systems are commonly installed from CD/DVD to hard drive partitions.

MagicISO does not disclose "An optical data disc" with "a first boot area" and "a second boot area" as recited in claim 1.

Also, MagicISO does not disclose "An optical data disc" with "a standard boot area" and "an application specific boot area" as recited in claim 10. Thus, claims 1 and 10 are allowable. Also, claims 15-16 are dependent on claim 10 and are allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 10.

In addition, Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

Applicants have made a diligent and sincere effort to place this application in condition for immediate allowance and notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Applicant may be reached by telephone at the number given below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fee (except the issue fee) including fees for any required extension of time, to Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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